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EXTRACT FROM THE  
EUPHORBACIAE OBESA  
PLANT AND METHODS FOR  
USING THE SAME

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The amendments presented below are in compliance with the revised amendment format permitted in the Notice from the Office of Patent Legal Administration of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office dated February 10, 2003, and published at 1267 OG 106 on February 25, 2003. Thus, the provisions of 37 CFR 1.121(a), (b), (c) and (d) are waived for amendments made in this application to the claims and specification.

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**Amendments to the Abstract** are presented as a new Abstract attached to this document for insertion after the claim pages of the application (or to replace the previously submitted Abstract).

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this document.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: